

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

1. Rejection of claims 13-17, 21-23, and 27-28 under 35 U.S.C. 102(e):

Claims 13-17, 21-23, and 27-28 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Kadi (US 2004/0117556).

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Response:

Claims 13-17, 21-23, and 27-28 have been cancelled, and are no longer in need of consideration.

10 2. Rejection of claims 18-19 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a):

Claims 18-19 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kadi in view of Kadowaki (US 6,654,873).

Response:

15 Claims 18-19 have been cancelled, and are no longer in need of consideration.

3. Rejection of claims 24-25 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a):

Claims 24-25 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kadi and Steely, and further in view of Kadowaki.

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Response:

Claims 24-25 have been cancelled, and are no longer in need of consideration.

4. Rejection of claims 29-35, 37-38, and 41-42 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a):

25 Claims 29-35, 37-38, and 41-42 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kadi in view of Kadowaki (US 6,654,873).

Response:

Claims 29-35, 37-38, and 41-42 have been cancelled, and are no longer in need of consideration.

5 5. Rejection of claim 39 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a):

Claim 39 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kadi and Kadowaki and further in view of Steely.

Response:

10 Claim 39 has been cancelled, and is no longer in need of consideration.

6. Rejection of claims 20 and 36 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a):

 Claims 20 and 36 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kadi and Kadowaki, and further in view of the Examiner's taking of Official
15 Notice.

Response:

 Claims 20 and 36 have been cancelled, and are no longer in need of
20 consideration.

7. Rejection of claim 40 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a):

 Claim 40 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kadi, Kadowaki, and Steely, and further in view of the Examiner's taking of Official
25 Notice.

Response:

Claim 40 has been cancelled, and is no longer in need of consideration.

8. Rejection of claim 26 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a):

Claim 26 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kadi in view of the Examiner's taking of Official Notice.

5 **Response:**

Claim 26 has been cancelled, and is no longer in need of consideration.

As pending claims 1-12 have been allowed, applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

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Sincerely yours,



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